IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA EASTERN-DUBUQUE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,) NO: CR 09-1001-LRR
vs.) DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT LIST
CRAIG NESTEBY,)
Defendant.	,

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A	Letter from Julie Turner, extended family of Craig Nesteby and friends of Craig Nesteby			

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Your Honor.

We are writing on behalf of our nephew and friend, Craig Nesteby. He was arrested for growing a lot of marijuana "within 1000 feet of a playground". He lives on Hill Street in Dubuque and the playgrounds are located on Wilson Street and on University Avenue. We were told that he could be serving a minimum of five to a maximum of 80 years in a federal minimum-security prison. We believe the Mandatory Minimum Safety Valve crime bill signed into law by President Clinton in 1994 could apply here.

Since this incident happened in June of 2008, he has awakened to the reality of his mistakes. He no longer uses marijuana and never plans to again. He fully appreciates the seriousness of his actions and knows he must take responsibility for them. He is now a single parent to his 4-year-old son, whom he loves very much. Craig has been held in county jails since February 2009 and it has been hard on Creighton, Craig's son. We feel further incarceration would not benefit his son's life in any way.

Craig is a good young man who has never done anything violent in his life. We realize his mistake is a serious one, but we also feel that five years in prison is not what best serves society. With the current economic hardships, wouldn't it be wiser to use Craig's talents to allow him years of probation with a significant amount of community service? Craig is a very good construction contractor and would be very useful in building or remodeling houses for the government. He can be routinely tested for drug use and more importantly, the government would save, at least, \$50,000 per year housing and feeding him. It would make good financial sense and show some compassion to a non-violent offender and a good person who fully understands the error of his ways and is willing to give back to his community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Julie Turner and Craig's extended family and friends

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